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Holy See Press Office Communiqué: Audience with the President of the Republic of Kenya

Today the Holy Father Francis received in audience His Excellency Mr. Uhuru Muigai Kenyatta, President of the Republic of Kenya, who subsequently met with His Eminence Cardinal Secretary of State Pietro Parolin, accompanied by His Excellency Archbishop Paul Richard Gallagher, Secretary for Relations with States.

During the cordial discussions in the Secretariat of State, the good existing bilateral relations were highlighted. In this context, the contribution of the Catholic Church to the good of Kenyan society was underscored, with particular reference to the education and healthcare sectors.

Attention then turned to the current situation of the country and the contribution it may make to multilateralism at both continental and international levels. Themes of common interest were also discussed, including the pandemic crisis in the region, climate change and the issue of refugees.